

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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SETTING UP OF NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR CHILDREN
BHAWANA GAWALI (PATIL);VIRENDRA KUMAR

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government propose to set up a National Commission for Children;
- (b) if so, the main objectives thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken so far in this direction?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Commission which will be a statutory body will examine all aspects of issues concerning children, viz. legislation, policy, programmes and implementation, dealt with by concerned Ministries/Departments at the Central and State Levels. It will also monitor and evaluate the status of safeguards provided to children constitutionally, legally or otherwise, and advise the Government from time to time on steps and measures to be taken.

(c) All efforts are being made to set up the National Commission for Children at the earliest. After wide consultation, the draft Cabinet Note is being processed for submission to the Cabinet.